

## General Assembly

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Referred to Committee on Judiciary

Introduced by: (JUD)

## AN ACT CONCERNING INNKEEPERS AND GUESTS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- Section 1. (NEW) For the purposes of sections 1 to 4, inclusive, of this act:
- 3 (1) "Guest" means a person for whom an innkeeper was paid to 4 provide temporary sleeping accommodations in a lodging 5 establishment;
- 6 (2) "Innkeeper" means the owner, operator or manager of a lodging 7 establishment; and
- 8 (3) "Lodging establishment" means a bed and breakfast 9 establishment or a hotel, motel, resort or inn.
- Sec. 2. (NEW) An innkeeper shall have the right to refuse or deny any accommodations, facilities or other privileges of a lodging establishment to an individual who is unwilling or unable to pay for the room, accommodations, facilities or other privileges of a lodging establishment. The innkeeper shall have the right to require the prospective guest to demonstrate such prospective guest's ability to

- 16 pay by cash, valid credit card or validated check.
- 17 Sec. 3. (NEW) An innkeeper may eject a person from the lodging
- 18 establishment, without the return of such person's room rental
- 19 payment, for nonpayment of the lodging establishment's charges for
- 20 accommodations or services.
- 21 Sec. 4. (NEW) It shall be the duty of every lodging establishment to
- 22 keep a copy of sections 1 to 4, inclusive, of this act printed in distinct
- 23 form, posted in the lobby, public waiting room or that portion of the
- 24 lodging establishment most frequented by guests.

## Statement of Purpose:

To adopt provisions concerning the rights of innkeepers with respect to guests.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]